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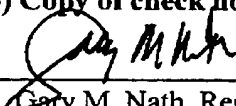
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Attorney Docket No. 24913

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Group Art Unit: 1742

HEGEMANN et al.

Serial No. 10/090,018

Filed: February 28, 2002

For: **METHOD OF TREATING GASES ISSUED FROM A SINTERING PLANT**

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- 1) Request for Correction;
- 2) Request for Refund;
- 3) Copy of Preliminary Amendment with stamped filing receipt dated February 28, 2002;
- 4) Copy of Continuation Filing Form with claim fee calculation; and
- 5) Copy of check no. 16293 for \$776.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date Filed: February 28, 2002

For: **METHOD OF TREATING GASES ISSUED FROM A SINTERING PLANT**

REQUEST FOR CORRECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a correction of the application captioned above in which the filing receipt states that 26 claims were filed and that fees paid were indicative of the number of claims filed.

Applicant filed 22 claims, as stated on the attached fee calculation sheet filed Feb. 28, 2002. A Preliminary Amendment was filed to removed multiple dependencies concurrently. It is apparent that the Preliminary Amendment was not entered. Applicant encloses a copy of the Preliminary Amendment removing the multiple dependencies filed with the application on Feb. 28, 2002 and **requests that the Preliminary Amendment be duly entered**, retroactive to Feb. 28, 2002. A Request for Refund of the excess and multiple dependent fees erroneously charged to the applicant's deposit account is also attached.

Applicant requests that a response to this request be mailed to the attorney of record listed below along with a corrected filing receipt. If there are any questions concerning this matter, please notify the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,
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REQUEST FOR REFUND

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a refund of money taken from deposit account no. 14-0112. Applicant believes the money was taken in error for excess and multiple dependent claims, when in fact a Preliminary Amendment to remove the multiple dependent claims was filed with the application on February 28, 2002. A check for \$776.00 was included with the application and covered the 2 excess claims. Copies of which are transmitted herewith.

Thus, applicant respectfully requests that the amounts of \$36.00 for fee code 103, \$280.00 for fee code 104 (both dated March 11, 2002), and \$252.00 for fee code 103 (dated March 28, 2002) for a total of \$566.00 be credited back to deposit account no. 14,0112.

Respectfully submitted,

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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HEGEMANN, Karl-Rudolf
WEISSERT, Helmut

Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned

Filing Date: February 28, 2002

Title: METHOD OF TREATING GASES ISSUED FROM A SINTERING PLANT

FILING FORM

FOR CONTINUATION U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a
- ☒ Continuation Application under:
 - ☒ 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)
 - ☐ Divisional Application under:
 - ☐ 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)
 - ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP) application
 - ☐ 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(2)

of prior ("parent") application:

International Application No.: PCT/EP00/08950
International Filing Date: September 13, 2000
Entitled: METHOD OF TREATING GASES ISSUED FROM A
SINTERING PLANT

2. ☒ Enclosed for application under 37 CFR §§ 1.53(b) are:
- 12 pages of text (specification, claims, abstract)
 - 15 claims
 - 5 sheets of drawings

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3. The **present** application names the following inventor(s):

HEGEMANN, Karl-Rudolf
WEISSERT, Helmut

- (37 CFR § 1.53--"CIP") The above-identified application (in which no payment of the Issue Fee, abandonment of or termination of proceedings has occurred) is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

The **Total Filing Fee** is calculated as follows:

- Enter the Amendment filed in the prior patent application on _____ prior to calculating the filing fee.

XX Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee.

(Col 1)		(Col 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR		NON-SMALL ENTITY	
	NUMBER OF CLAIMS FILED		NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE			RATE	FEE
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BASE FILING FEE:				x370=	0			x740=	740
XX Multiple Dependent Claims				x140=	0			x280=	0
				TOTAL	0	OR		TOTAL	776

- Applicant(s) is/are a "small entity". A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status:
- was filed in the parent application, and small entity status is still proper and desired (Rules 60, 62 only);
- is filed herewith;
- will be filed at a later date.

X A check including the above-indicated filing fee is enclosed.

— A Petition for Extension of Time (to keep the parent case pending) is enclosed, with a check including the \$ extension fee.

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___ Assignment document(s) is/are submitted herewith, with a check including the recordation fee of \$40.00 per Assignment.

___ No check is enclosed. A Declaration and Power of Attorney will be submitted at a later date pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.41, 1.53, together with a check for the "Total Filing Fee" calculated above and a surcharge under 37 CFR § 1.16(e).

___ The prior application is assigned of record to _____
_____, the Assignment being recorded on _____
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___ An original executed Declaration is enclosed.

___ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

X Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of LUXEMBOURG application(s) 90439, filed September 13, 1999, is hereby claimed. The certified priority paper(s):

___ was/were filed in the parent case;

___ is/are enclosed herewith;

X will be submitted at a later date.

X The power of attorney in the prior application is to Gary M. Nath, Registration No. 26,965, Customer No. 20529.

___ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

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X Address all future communications to:


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— If extensions of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the parent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned to allow copendency of the parent and the present continuing application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fee deficiency under 37 CFR § 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

NATH & ASSOCIATES PLLCDate: February 28, 2002



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